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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration based on the following amendments and remarks. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-20 are pending. Claims 1-8, 10-16 and 18-20 have been allowed. Claims 1, 10 and 18 are independent claims from which claims 2-9, 11-17 and 19-20 respectively depend. Claims 9 and 17 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Support for the amendments can be found in the application as originally filed in paragraph 31 and elsewhere. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims, as amended, define over the prior art.

Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1-8, 10-16 and 18-20.

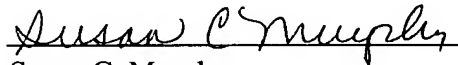
§101 Rejections

Claims 9 and 17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 for being directed to non-statutory subject matter. These claims have been amended. Applicants respectfully submit that these claims are allowable and request the withdrawal of the 101 rejections of these claims.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the present Application is in condition for allowance. Withdrawal of the rejections of the claims and an early allowance is earnestly solicited.

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